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The Catalogue of Life Data Package - A new format for exchanging nomenclatural and taxonomic information

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Abstract

The Catalogue of Life Data Package (COLDP) format was developed to overcome limitations existing in currently used formats for sharing taxonomic information, namely [Darwin Core Archives](#) (DwC-A) and the Catalogue of Life (CoL) submission format also known as the [Annual Checklist Exchange Format](#) (ACEF). The tabular text based format, strongly influenced by DwC-A and ACEF, was designed to work with the [Frictionless Data Package](#) specification, but includes support for other well established formats like BibTeX and CSL-JSON for literature citations. It is the recommended exchange format for data published to, and downloaded from, the CoL Clearinghouse.

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